

Will the broadcast flag interfere with consumers ability to make copies of DTV content for their personal use, either on personal video recorders or removable media?

I'm outraged that anyone would make rules or laws infringing on anything that could be labeled personal use.

Would the digital flag interfere with consumers ability to send DTV content across networks, such as home digital networks connecting digital set top boxes, digital recorders, digital servers and digital display devices?

I see only one result from such a digigal flag rule. It would severly lessen inovation and creativity.

Would the broadcast flag requirement limit consumers ability to use their existing electronic equipment (equipment not built to look for the flag) or make it difficult to use older components with new equipment that is compliant with the broadcast flag standard?

That is the issue. How can we know this? Any "broadcast flag" or other marker forced into digital content should have severe consequences attached if found to limit fair use.

Would a broadcast flag requirement limit the development of future equipment providing consumers with new options?

Again this is like prior censorship. And as I understand the requirement there is little in the way of remedys available to consumers who are ultimatly harmed.

What will be the cost impact, if any, that a broadcast flag requirement would have on consumer electronics equipment?

We don't have a crystal ball. Suffice to say there is always significant costs associated when new rules are started. It is rarely as small an impact as projected.

Other Comments:

Why is the FCC so insistent on propping up the failed business model of the Hollywood fat cats? Why can't the consumer and his desires be the guiding principle to your rule making?